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Minutes 122nd Mtg - 10 AM 15 Jan 45

PresentCol. Bicknell
Capt. Maccomb
Major Battles
Capt. Liberto (alternate)SecretariatLt. Col. Kountz
Captain SoboAlso PresentLt. Cdr. Clinton
Major Rasche
Lt. Quam
Lt. Van Rees

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Minutes of the 121st meeting read by the Chairman, and approved without change.

1. GENERAL

In regard to direct intelligence channels from forward echelons in Far East, General Fielder advised Colonel Bicknell that only basic immediate intelligence is being processed in the forward area, and only a small number of personnel are in the forward area. JICPOA is the central clearing agency for all intelligence gathered by the forward echelons in the Pacific Ocean Areas. Colonel Bicknell will contact Colonel Lovell, G-2 officer-in-charge of contact with JICPOA, and will endeavor to establish direct channels to JISPB.

JANIS publications are used extensively in field headquarters by planners. Lower echelons cannot use same because of the lack of detailed intelligence. The necessity and demand for JANIS will increase in the future. The graphic presentation in JANIS was again stressed and it was concluded that it should be used wherever possible.

The necessity for liaison between contributors was emphasized. Contributors should leave their establishments and review other source material available to them. Members should check and assure themselves that active liaison is being maintained at all times. In this connection, Colonel Poole will meet with OSS members in regard to route studies; meeting scheduled for 16 Jan 45; [REDACTED] will attend. Much source material was not reviewed by the Rivers & Harbors Board and, therefore, the material submitted by them is incomplete.

The matter of commendations to contributors was discussed. It was concluded that a general letter of commendation to all contributors would be drawn up, the first part of which should deal with good points and praise; the second part would deal with criticisms and complaints; and the third part would express appreciation for their contribution to JANIS.

Lt. Van Rees read excerpts of a letter sent by Lt. Lowell Pratt, a former staff member of this organization, who is at present performing the duties of Communications Officer in a Pacific shore station. The excerpts dealt with praise for prompt receipt of JANIS 80 and the high esteem held for JANIS publications in the field.

Lt. Quam reported that Colonel Poole desires to contribute to the "Climate & Weather" chapter because of the lack of definite data or conclusions regarding the climate of certain areas. Lt. Quam was directed to arrange a meeting between Colonel Poole and J.M.C. in an endeavor to include this data. Lt. Quam is rewriting current Chapter V to include this data and will submit same for contributor's approval.

2. EDITORIAL

Lt. Cdr. Clinton reported that:

JANIS 78 is now complete. Chapters III and XII, JANIS 73, complete. Deadlines on current study may not be met. Cities & Towns chapter ready but no maps have been received. No maps received for Resources & Trade and People & Government chapters. Some time ago, J.T.S. was informed by contributors that they can and would meet deadlines; therefore, J.T.S. should be informed of the delays in submission of material. Port Facilities chapter ready but "missing" data on nine (9) ports must be included. Major Spillers advised of the omission in Port Facilities chapter, and a new deadline for submission of manuscript was set as 17 Jan 45.

3. PRODUCTION

Lt. Van Rees reported that:

Advance copies of Chapter I, JANIS 85, and Chapters IX and XIV, JANIS 76, will be received 16 Jan 45, and Chapters I and XV, JANIS 76, on 19 Jan 45.

Garber will meet target dates on JANIS 78. Six chapters ready for press. Two chapters of JANIS 73 sent to printer.

4. PLANNING

Lt. Quam reported that:

JANIS 75 base map has been received and distributed.

JANIS 150 base map at the Army Map Service.

JANIS 153 base map will be set up today by the Army Map Service.

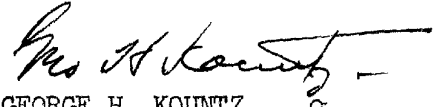
JANIS 156 base map will be set up by OSS.

OSS Map Intelligence Section will make map evaluations on JANIS 75 and 156.

Lt. Quam suggested a contributors meeting on JANIS 75 and 150. The Board will consider the suggestion and will advise Lt. Quam of its decision.

Capt. Liberto had a list of town plans needed for JANIS 73 and advised the Board that he would make arrangements to secure two (2) copies of each today and would plan for at least 2,000 copies of each for JANIS 73.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.


GEORGE H. KOUNTZ,
Lt. Col., G.S.C.,
Secretary.